

**ARIZONA PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING BOARD
MINUTES OF CHARGING BOARD MEETING HELD DECEMBER 14, 2005
PHOENIX, ARIZONA**

A Public Meeting of the Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board was convened on December 14, 2005, at the AZ POST facility, located at 2643 E. University Drive, Phoenix, AZ.

Members Present:

Chairman Gary Butler
Mr. Tim Black, representing Attorney General Terry Goddard
Ms. Lisa Flores
Commander David Denlinger, representing Director Roger Vanderpool
Director Dora Schriro
Chief Jack Harris
Chief Jerry Sheridan
Dr. Michael Polakowski
Mr. Joseph Duarte
Detective Robert Thompson
Sergeant Tamatha Villar

Members Absent:

Chief Patricia Huntsman
Sheriff Clarence Dupnik

Staff in Attendance:

Tom Hammarstrom
Lyle Mann
Bob Forry
Ted Brandon
Curt Milam
Gary Maschner
Marie Dryer
Sgt. Rick Watling
Sgt. Jim DeLung
Officer Mark Zbojnowicz
Donna Freed
Maria Valtierra
Matt Griffis
Ed Felix
Lois Sherlock

Attorney for the Public Body Present:

Victoria Mangiapane, Solicitor General

Assistant Attorney General:

Diana Stabler

Guest Roster:

Jon Eric Tureaud

Paul D. Langston

Dale Norris

Jan Madeya, ACIP

A. Call to Order

Chairman Butler called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

Executive Director Tom Hammarstrom presented Sgt. Crista McCarthy with a plaque in appreciation for her outstanding service to AZPOST.

B. Consideration of complaints against peace officer certification based upon reports of misconduct.

Final Action Cases:

Case #1 – Paul G. Blair. The Board considered comments from Attorney Caroline Pilch on behalf of Mr. Blair and Assistant A.G. Diana Stabler for the state. Sgt. Villar made a motion to reconsider original decision, seconded by Chief Sheridan, motion died with five in favor and 6 nay votes. Dr. Polakowski made a motion to deny reconsideration and rehearing, seconded by Chief Sheridan, motion died with five in favor and six nay votes. Ms. Flores made a motion to reconsider sanction, seconded by Sgt. Villar, motion died with four yes votes and seven nay votes. Chief Harris made a motion to deny reconsideration, seconded by Chief Sheridan, motion carried with seven yes votes and four nay votes.

Case #2 – Christopher Potten. Assistant A.G. Diana Stabler informed the Board that Mr. Potten had gone to the hospital and was requesting a continuance. The state did not oppose the request. Mr. Duarte made a motion to grant the continuance, seconded by Chief Sheridan, motion carried unanimously.

Case #3 – Paul D. Langston. Ms. Flores made a motion to vacate the hearing, seconded by Chief Sheridan, motion carried unanimously. Chief Harris made a motion to adopt the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and to suspend certification for one year commencing on Sept. 1,

2004 to Sept 1, 2005, seconded by Dr. Polakowski, motion carried unanimously.

Case #4 – Jon E. Tureaud. The Board considered comments from Assistant A. G. Diana Stabler. Chief Sheridan made a motion to adopt the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and to suspend peace officer certification for eighteen months commencing April 14, 2005 to October 14, 2006, seconded by Chief Harris, motion carried unanimously.

Case #5 – Robert W. White. *Commander Denlinger recused himself from participation and voting on this case.* The Board considered comments from Assistant A. G. Diana Stabler. Sgt. Villar made a motion to adopt the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and revoke peace officer certification, seconded by Dr. Polakowski, motion carried with one nay vote.

Charging Board Cases:

Case #1 – Adrian M. Cervantes. Chief Sheridan made a motion to close the case with Research Further, seconded by Dr. Polakowski, motion carried unanimously.

Case #2 – Kenneth W. Corprew. *Chief Sheridan recused himself from participation and voting on this case.* Chief Harris made a motion to close the case with No Action, seconded by Ms. Flores, motion carried unanimously.

Case #3 – Dennis F. Epperson. Chief Sheridan made a motion to close the case with No Action with Agency Discretion, seconded by Chief Harris, motion carried unanimously.

Case #4 – Juan Gonzales, Jr. Chief Harris made a motion to close the case with No Action, seconded by Chief Sheridan, motion carried unanimously.

Case #5 – Rigoberto Gonzales. Chief Sheridan made a motion to initiate proceeding, seconded by Ms. Flores, motion carried unanimously.

Case #6 – Armando A. Lucio. Commander Denlinger made a motion to close the case with No Action, seconded by Chief Sheridan, motion carried unanimously.

Case #7 – Alvin L. Mayhew. Chief Sheridan made a motion to initiate proceedings, seconded by Sgt. Villar, motion carried unanimously.

Case #8 – William A. Pearson. Mr. Duarte made a motion to initiate proceedings, seconded by Chief Harris, motion carried unanimously.

Case #9 – Jason C. Perone. Chief Sheridan made a motion to initiate proceedings, seconded by Mr. Black, motion carried unanimously.

Case #10 – Randal Stringfellow. Mr. Black made a motion to close the case with No Action, seconded by Chief Sheridan, motion carried unanimously.

Case #11 – Brian A. Trapanotto. Chief Sheridan made a motion to close the case with No Action with Agency Discretion, seconded by Ms. Flores, motion carried unanimously.

C. Adjourn

Chairman Butler adjourned the meeting at 12:04 p.m.

Dated December 16, 2005

Maria Valtierra, Recording Secretary